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TO AMEMBASSY COTONOU

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SUBJECT: ROSARIO RESOURCES INTEREST IN DAHOMEY OIL

REF: STATE 234934

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED COPIES OF LETTER DATED OCT 25 (IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH VERSIONS) FROM ROSARIO (DAVID FAGIN) TO MINISTER PUBLIC WORKS CAPT. ACHADE CONTAINING ROSARIO REACTION TO MRGD'S MOST RECENT PROPOSED CONVENTION. UNDERSTAND LETTER HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO COTONOU BY INTERNATIONAL MAIL.

2. ROSARIO RESPONSE DIVISIBLE INTO THREE PARTS: A) FIRST IS LENGTHY EXPOSITION HISTORY OF NEGOTIATIONS SINCE MAY 1973, UNDERSCORING DIFFICULTIES AND INCONCLUSIVENESS ATTEMPTS ARRIVE AT AGREEMENT. B) SECOND, OPERATIVE SECTION STATES "ROSARIO OBLIGED DECLINE CONVENTION AS PROPOSED. ALTHOUGH OUR PRINCIPAL OBJECTIONS ARE IN FINANCIAL AREA WE ABOVE ALL DISAPPOINTED BY FACT YOUR GOVERNMENT DOES NOT APPROVE CONCEPT OF JOINTLY-OWNED COMPANY." C) CONCLUDING SECTION KEEPS DOOR AJAR AND EX-

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PRESSES HOPE MRGD WILL CHOOSE RE-EXAMINE ITS POSITION AND

RETURN TO BASIC CONCEPTS INCORPORATED IN ROSARIO'S
ORIGINALLY PROPOSED CONVENTION AS MODIFIED IN JUNE AND

AUGUST NEGOTIATIONS.

3. COPIES OF LETTER BEING POUCHED. INGERSOLL

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